

**LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMISSION
CITY OF MILPITAS
Monday, March 21, 2005**

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Minutes: Meeting of the Library Advisory Commission (LAC)

Date of Meeting: March 21, 2005

Place of Meeting: Milpitas City Hall, 455 E. Calaveras Blvd.,
Committee Conference Room

Call to Order: Chairperson Hay called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

A. Roll Call Commissioners Present: Aoalin, Davis, Hay, Fan, Montano,
Stevens, Wang
Alternates Present: Chou and Estandarte
City Council Liaison Present: Councilmember Giordano
City Staff Present: Recreation Program Coordinator, Aaron Bueno
Recreation Supervisor, Kerrilyn Ely
Capital Improvement Project (CIP) Manager,
Mark Rogge
County Staff Present: Community Librarian, Melanie McInerney
County Librarian, Melinda Cervantes

B. Seating of Alternates
None seated

C. Flag Salute Chairperson Hay led the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance

D. Approval of Minutes

MOTION to approve with the following changes to minutes of January 10, 2005:

- 1) Section A: In the first sentence, remove "Wang" from "Commissioners Present." Add "Wang" to "Commissioners Absent."
- 2) Section A: In the fifth sentence, change "Principal Engineer, Mark Rogge" to "Capital Improvement Project Manager, Mark Rogge."
- 3) Section D: In the first sentence, Change "minutes of September 20, 2004" to "minutes of November 15, 2004."
- 4) Section I, third paragraph: In the first sentence, change "Commissioner Davis asked how much money does Friends give" to "Commissioner Davis asked how much money do Friends give..."
- 5) Section I, 1.3, second paragraph: In the third sentence, change "Chairperson Montano..." to "Commissioner Montano..."

- 6) Section I, 1.4, seventh paragraph: Change
“Commissioner Hay nominated...” to “Commissioner
Davis nominated...”

MOTION to approve the Minutes of January 10, 2005 as
amended.

M/S: Davis/ Stephens

Ayes: All

E. Announcements and Correspondence:

Commissioner Montano announced that on April 1, 2005, the Milpitas Unified School District would begin the “Raising a Reader” program at 8:15 a.m. This pre-kinder reading program will be kicked off at Rose School in the multi-media room.

Chairperson Hay asked if any commissioners attended the CALTAC Workshop entitled “Blowing Your Horn” No LAC commissioners attended.

Chairperson Hay reported that she and Commissioner Estandarte attended the very informative Commissioner’s Training at the Milpitas Community Center on February 26.

Chairperson Hay reported that she, Commissioners Aoalin, Davis and Montano participated as judges on March 26, 2005, for the “Select the Art” event. The art display was hosted in the Milpitas Library Community Room from March 26 through April 30, 2005.

Commissioner Hay asked if anyone attended the Berryessa Library Grand Opening on March 15, 2005. City of Milpitas CIP Manager Rogge stated that he had attended the event.

Commissioner Hay announced the Silicon Valley Library Issues Breakfast on April 23, 2005, at 8:30-11:00 a.m. The current State Librarian will be the keynote speaker.

F. Citizens Forum:

Rob Means from the Sunny Hills Neighborhood Association asked for support and contributions for the Personal Rapid Transit program.

G. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION to approve Agenda of March 21, 2005.

M/S: Davis/ Montano

Ayes: All

H. Unfinished Business:

1.1 Library Building Project Update

City of Milpitas CIP Manager Mark Rogge provided a PowerPoint presentation, which included an introduction to the building schematic design and review of the concept designs and new library features. Mr. Rogge reported that the project is on schedule. He also reported that the schematic design should be completed in May.

Commissioner Montano inquired about the actual color of the photovoltaic cells visible from the building's exterior. Mr. Rogge responded that the photovoltaic cells might appear as a turquoise tint of color to windows.

County Librarian Cervantes asked of the direction in which the windows face. Mr. Rogge reported that all of the windows of the building face west.

Commissioner Stephens asked if the building would leak. Mr. Rogge responded that he hopes not. All roofs will be slanted as an additional preventative measure.

City Council member Giordano asked about the number of rooms that could possibly take on honorary names. Mr. Rogge responded that nine (9) rooms and wings could be named. Councilmember Giordano also asked if the Library Advisory Commission (LAC) would have input for the naming of rooms. Mr. Rogge reported that the names will be gathered through a public meeting, with the names being referred to the LAC for review.

Chairperson Hay suggested the idea of placards showing the old offices of the historical building. Councilmember Giordano also suggested that the Historical Society could also be involved in this idea. Mr. Rogge agreed that it is a good idea worth further investigation.

Chairperson Hay encouraged all who are interested in more details of the Library construction to attend the Library Subcommittee meeting on March 22, 2005, at 6:00 p.m. in the Committee Conference Room.

Commissioner Davis reported that the San Jose Museum of Art has named steps in honor of donors. Ms. Cervantes added that donor boards can be very attractive and be made of any material. She suggested early planning should a type of donor recognition be implemented.

Commissioner Montano asked if the proposed parking spaces or structure had space for school buses. Through a PowerPoint slide, Mr. Rogge showed two bus stops on the west side of Main Street. The parking structure will not provide bus parking.

Commissioner Montano asked about the presence of the auto body shop on the east side of the existing building. Mr. Rogge responded that the auto body shop will not be there when the library opens.

Commissioner Davis asked about the necessary process and timetable in planning for the proposal of donor boards. Mr. Rogge reported that the best process would be to bring the concept to the Library Subcommittee, who would then bring the idea to the City Council. He also suggested the timetable would take approximately two months

I. New Business

1.1 4th of July Parade Commission Participation

Chairperson Hay asked for a commitment from the commission to walk in the 4th of July Parade. She will return with this item at the May meeting for a final count of participants.

Commissioner Stephens asked about the distance of the parade walk. Recreation Supervisor Ely responded that the parade will run from Curtis to Weller, which is approximately 1.5 miles.

1.2 Continuation of Work Plan Objectives

Chairperson Hay encouraged all commissioners to continue the hard work on their respective objectives and responsibilities.

J. Other Business

1.1 Friends of the Milpitas Library

Commissioner Davis reported that the next Friend's board meeting would be held on April 7th at 7:00 p.m.

The next Friend's book sale will be held April 22-24, 2005.

1.2 County Librarian Report

County Librarian Cervantes reported that the Santa Clara County Libraries are now producing a newsletter. Ms. Cervantes also announced a new library computer blog site, which began in February. The blog can be found on the opening screen of the Santa Clara County Library webpage.

The legislative breakfast will be held at the Stanford Park Hotel on April 23, 2005. Admission is free.

California Library Association (CLA) Legislative Day will be held April 20, 2005, in Sacramento.

Ms. Cervantes also reported that the public library fund or "PLF" is losing ground. The per capita state funding rate is now at an all time low of only 14.4 million dollars per year. Efforts are underway for a group to go and meet with legislators in Sacramento to begin an effort to get the PLF funding increased.

1.3 Community Librarian Report

Community Librarian, Melanie McInerney reported that the Milpitas Community Library had some water leakage due to the rain in February, but had been successfully repaired.

Van-Anh Vo and her students performed music to a standing room only crowd on Sunday, January 30, 2005. Her music is a blend of Vietnamese folk rhythms with western themes.

Forty guests enjoyed the Silicon Valley Reads program on February 26. The book this year is *Epitaph for a Peach*, by David Masumoto. In early February, the author spoke to two honors English classes at Milpitas High School about memoir writing. The students were then given the assignment of writing their own memoir. Teachers selected the best six essays and these students

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were invited to read their work at the library. They were joined by their families and friends.

Wildlife Associates presented a great program for families on Friday, March 4. Seventy-five adults and kids enjoyed hearing about predators and seeing them up close and in action.

On March 6, Celtic guitarist and storyteller Christopher Dean performed.

Upcoming programs include ventriloquist Steve Chaney and Cornelius Crowe on March 24 and African drummer Onye Onyemaechi at family story time on March 29.

The book group is reading *The Minotaur Takes a Cigarette Break*, by Steven Sherrill. The discussion will take place on Wednesday, March 23.

These programs are all made possible by our very generous Friends of the Library.

The Milpitas Community Library will be closed on Easter Sunday, March 27. The Library will also be closed on Thursday, March 31, in observance of Cesar Chavez's birthday.

1.4 City Council Report

City Council member Giordano reported that Measure A was supported by the City Council by a 3:2 councilmember vote in favor of the measure. Measure B was not endorsed by the Council, with a 3:2 councilmember vote not in favor of the measure. Commissioner Davis expressed her disappointment with the lack of support for Measure B.

City Council member Giordano reported the following City Council actions on March 1, 2005:

- The KB home project was reviewed for initial feedback.
- Program proposed by staff for a community outreach for more participation on boards and commissions.
- Introduction of the Open Government Ordinance.

City Council actions on March 15, 2005:

- Amended Sign Ordinance, to be returned at the next meeting.

- General Plan Amendments to have public input first before presenting to City Council.
- Historical display for O'Toole Elms to be redesigned and returned at the next Council meeting.

City Council member Giordano distributed Recognition Certificates to each commissioner in recognition of their hard work and dedication to the City of Milpitas over the past year, and invited all commissioners to their annual dinner on April 20, 2005 at Embassy Suites Hotel.

1.5 City Staff Report

Kerrilyn Ely, Recreation Services Supervisor, announced the following:

- Reminded Commissioner's of the upcoming recognition dinner on April 20th at Embassy Suites. Asked that Commissioners confirm dinner selections.
- Arbor Day will be held on April 23rd at Hall Memorial Park from 10am- noon.

1.6 Future Agenda Items

Entry in the 4th of July Parade
Library Building Update
Donor Recognition Subcommittee—Formulation and organization of group.

XII. Adjournment

There being no further business, Chairperson Hay adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m. to the next regularly scheduled meeting on May 16, 2005.

M/S: Stephens /Davis Ayes: All